

GEORGIA STATE BOARD OF EXAMINERS OF PSYCHOLOGISTS MINUTES

July 16, 2004

The Georgia State Board of Examiners of Psychologists held a meeting on Friday, July 16, 2004 at the Professional Licensing Boards Division, 237 Coliseum Drive, Macon, Georgia.

Members Present:

Carol Webb, Ph.D., President
Linda F. Campbell, Ph.D., Vice-President
H. Ted Ballard, Ph.D.
John Stuart Currie, Ph.D.
Donald S. Meck, Ph.D.

Others Present:

Lee H. Tracy, Executive Director
Beverly Cobb, Applications Specialist
Dominick Crea, Board Attorney

Members Absent:

Karl Douglass

Dr. Webb, Board President, established that a quorum was present and called the meeting to order at 8:45 a.m.

Approval of Minutes

Motion Ballard, seconded Currie, and motion carried to approve the minutes from the June 18, 2004 meeting.

Executive Session

Motion Ballard, seconded Campbell, and motion carried for the Board to enter into Executive Session in accordance with O.C.G.A. §§43-1-2(k) and 43-1-19(h) to deliberate on applications, oral examinations, complaints, and the Assistant Attorney General's report. Voting in favor of the motion were Currie, Meck, and Webb. The Board concluded Executive Session in order to vote on these matters and continue with the Public Session.

Report from Cognizant Board Member:

The following complaints were presented to the Board for recommendations:

Dr. Michal O'Leary– Send letter to respondent lifting requirement for supervision effective July 19, 2004. Probation to be continued. Send letter advising Supervisor.

PSYC040025 – Have respondent come in for interview with Board.

PSYC050003 – Ask Complainant if Board can share complaint with Respondent. If so, send complaint and have respondent address the concerns and submit to the Board within 30 days of receipt of the letter.

PSYC040024 – Dismiss Case. No violation of law or rules. Write letter to Psychologist reminding that if complaint is valid report should be made to DFACS.

PSYC050002 – Have licensee come in for interview with Board.

PSYC040040 – Close Case. No violation of the law or rules.

PSYC040011- Schedule interview for August, 2004 meeting.

PSYC050004 – Application denied. Case closed.

PSYC040004 – Refer to Attorney General's Office for hearing or consent order.

PSYC040030 – Refer to Attorney General’s Office for hearing or consent order.
PSYC040025 – Refer to Attorney General’s Office for hearing or consent order.

Assistant Attorney General’s Report

Mr. Crea, Board Attorney, distributed status reports and discussed the open cases in the Attorney General’s Office.

Open Session

Investigative Cases– Motion Ballard, seconded Currie and motion carried to accept the recommendations on Investigative Cases.

Assistant Attorney General’s Report – Motion Ballard, seconded Currie, and motion carried, to accept the report from the Assistant Attorney General.

Rule Revision 510-5-.01 – Motion Campbell, seconded Meck, and motion carried to post revision to rule 510-5-.01 which adds a footnote inadvertently omitted during original posting and adoption of rule. The footnote provides information about the source for the Code of Conduct and the Supplemental Code of Ethics. In addition, motion Campbell, seconded Meck, and motion carried that the formulation and adoption of Rule 510-5-.01 does not impose excessive regulatory cost on any licensee and any cost to comply with the proposed rule amendment cannot be reduced by a less expensive alternative that fully accomplishes the objectives of O.C.G.A. §§ 43-1-19, 43-39-6, and 43-39-13. It is not legal or feasible to meet the objectives of O.C.G.A. §§ 43-1-19, 43-39-6 and 43-39-13 to adopt or implement differing actions for businesses as listed at O.C.G.A. §§ 50-13-4(a)(3)(A), (B), (C) and (D). The formulation and adoption of these rules will impact every licensee in the same manner and each licensee is independently licensed, owned and operated and dominant in the field of psychology.

Applications

Motion Campbell, seconded Currie, and motion carried to accept the recommendations on applications.

ENDORSEMENT

Suzanne Merlis -	Approved
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EXAMS

Justin Huthenwaite	Approved
Kelly Lewis	Approved
Daniel Niederhohn	Pending
James D. Russell	Approved
Sharon Smith	Approved

EARLY EXAM

Lisa Ferdinand	Approved
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Minutes Prepared By: Lee Tracy and Beverly Cobb
Reviewed/Edited By: Lee Tracy, Executive Director

Carol L. Webb, Ph.D.
President

Mollie L. Fleeman
Division Director